


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1. Production of dry cells at the Zeitz dry cell factory labored under difficulties in October, 1953. There were great shortages of material, especially manganese dioxide. Promised deliveries from the DHZ Chemie failed to arrive. The situation was not much better as regards deliveries of zinc plates. October production reached only 64 percent of the quota of about 7,500 dry cells. The finished batteries are taken away by Soviet troops. Orders from the civilian sector (HO and Konsum) for flashlight batteries could not be filled.
2. In order not to let any workmen go, an arrangement was made with the WAWO works in Zeitz, which manufacture electrical equipment and have many orders on hand, whereby some dry cell factory workers were temporarily employed there. Arrivals of materials are hoped for soon, because the Soviet authorities are demanding fulfillment of their orders.

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